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1. SUMMARY: GPRM PUBLISHES TEXT OF MOZAMBIQUE-USSR JOINT COMMUNIQUE. COMMUNIQUE ADDRESSES BILATERAL ISSUES, SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES AND INTERNATIONAL SCENE. TEXT WAS VERY SIMILAR TO TEXTS OF TANZANIAN AND ZAMBIAN COMMUNIQUES. IT CONTAINED NO SURPRISES. PODGORNY INVITES MACHEL TO VISIT SOVIET UNION.
END SUMMARY.

2. NOTICIAS APRIL 2 CARRIED FULL TEXT OF MOZAMBIQUE-USSR JOINT COMMUNIQUE. (FULL TEXT FOLLOWS BY SEPTEL.) FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS.

3. MOZAMBIQUE-USSR RELATIONS: ON BILATERAL ISSUES, THE TWO UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTRIES:

--EXPRESSED THE DESIRE TO EXPAND THE SOLID RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION FORGED BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES DURING MOZAMBIQUE'S LIBERATION STRUGGLE;
--WELCOMED THE DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF TIES BETWEEN FRELIMO AND RUSSIAN CP BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF MARXISM-

LENINISM AND INTERNATIONAL PROLETARIANISM;

--NOTED WITH GREAT SATISFACTION THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND THE USSR HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED IN A "SPIRIT OF SINCERE FRIENDSHIP AND REVOLUTIONARY SOLIDARITY" AND CONFIRMED THE DECISION OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO REINFORCE THEIR RELATIONS THROUGH CONSUL-TATIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST;

--NOTED THAT THE MOZAMBIQUE-USSR CONVENTIONS AGREED TO DURING MACHEL'S 1976 VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION, AS WELL AS OTHERS, ARE BEING CARRIED OUT WITH SUCCESS;

--SALUTED THE FACT THAT "EXTREMELY FAVORABLE CONDITIONS" EXIST TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS ON THE BASES OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS;

--DESCRIBED THEIR RECENTLY CONCLUDED TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION AS A "POLITICAL AND LEGAL PLATFORM" ON WHICH TO CON-STRUCT AND CONSOLIDATE BETTER RELATIONS; AND

--EXPRESSED THE FIRM CONVICTION THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF VARI-OUS RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SHOULD SERVE THE INTEREST OF THEIR PEOPLES, AS WELL AS THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN AFRICA AND THE WORLD.

4. AFRICAN ISSUES: ON AFRICA, THE COMMUNIQUE:

--NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE PEOPLE OF AFRICA HAVE ACHIEVED HISTORIC SUCCESSES IN THE STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION;

--SAID THAT RACISM IN SOUTHERN AFRICA CONSTITUTED A GRAVE THREAT TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN AREA;

--DEMANDED THE TOTAL LIQUIDATION OF COLONIALISM, AND RACISM AND PLEDGED SUPPORT OF BOTH COUNTRIES TO THE STRUGGLE TO BRING ABOUT NATIONAL LIBERATION;

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--CONDEMNED THE "CRIMINAL PROVOCATIONS" AND ACTS OF AGGRESSION AGAINST FRONT LINE STATES CARRIED OUT BY RACISTS;

--LAMENTED DEATH OF CONGOLESE PRESIDENT MARIAN N'GOUABI;

--"CONSIDERED THE CREATION OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT OF ZIMBABWE AS AN IMPORT STEP IN GUARANTEING THE UNITY OF THE PATRIOTIC FORCES IN THEIR STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION";

--DEMANDED THAT POWER IN RHODESIA BE TURNED OVER IN THE SHORT-EST TIME TO THE AUTENTIC REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ZIMBABWEAN PEOPLE, "THE PATRIOTIC FORCES OF ZIMBABWE.";

--SUPPORTED THE RIGHT OF THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE TO INDEPENDENCE AND CALLED FOR THE DIRECT PARTICIPATION OF SWAPO IN THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM;

--CONDEMNED APARTHEID, BANTUSTANS AND EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN ANC;

--DENOUNCED "IMPERIALIST" PLANS TO ESTABLISH A SOUTH ATLANTIC MILITARY BLOC AND "IMPERIALIST MANEUVERS TO PERPETUATE COLONIALISM UNDER NEW FORMS OF NEO-COLONIALISM";

--PRAISED ROLE THAT OAU IS PLAYING IN THE ANTI-COLONIAL AND ANTI-IMPERIALIST STRUGGLE.

5. INTERNATIONAL SCENE: IN REGARD TO INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS,
THE TWO COUNTRIES:

--SAID THE TERMINATION OF THE ARMS RACE AND GENERAL DISARMAMENT IS A PRIMARY GOAL OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR UN EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD;

-- REAFFIRMED THEIR DESIRE TO HAVE CONCLUDED RAPIDLY A UNIVERSAL TREATY ON NON-USE OF FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS;

--DECLARED THAT BOTH LOOKED POSITIVELY ON THE IDEA OF THE CREATION OF A ZONE OF PEACE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND THE ELIMINATION OF FOREIGN MILITARY BASES FROM AREA;

--CALLED FOR ISREALI WITHDRAWAL FROM ARAB OCCUPIED LANDS AND THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST;

--EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF NORTH KOREA IN ITS EFFORTS TO REUNITE THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND
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CALLED FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM AREA;

--SUPPORTED THE STRUGGLE TO "RESTRUCTURE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS" IN ORDER TO END ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION; AND

--ACKNOWLEDGED THAT UN HAS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE TO PLAY IN MAINTAINING WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY;

--HAILED THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AS ONE OF THE POSITIVE FACTORS IN THE STRUGGLE FOR PEACE AND MATERIAL LIBERATION.

6. MACHEL INVITED TO VISIT RUSSIA: COMMUNIQUE CONCLUDED WITH PODGORNY'S EXPRESSIONS OF COMPLETE SATISFACTION WITH MOZAMBIQUE VISIT AND EXTENSION OF INVITATION BY HIM TO PRESIDENT MACHEL TO PAY A STATE VISIT TO RUSSIA. INVITATION WAS ACCEPTED. DE PREE

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